

Education and Health Services (102500)

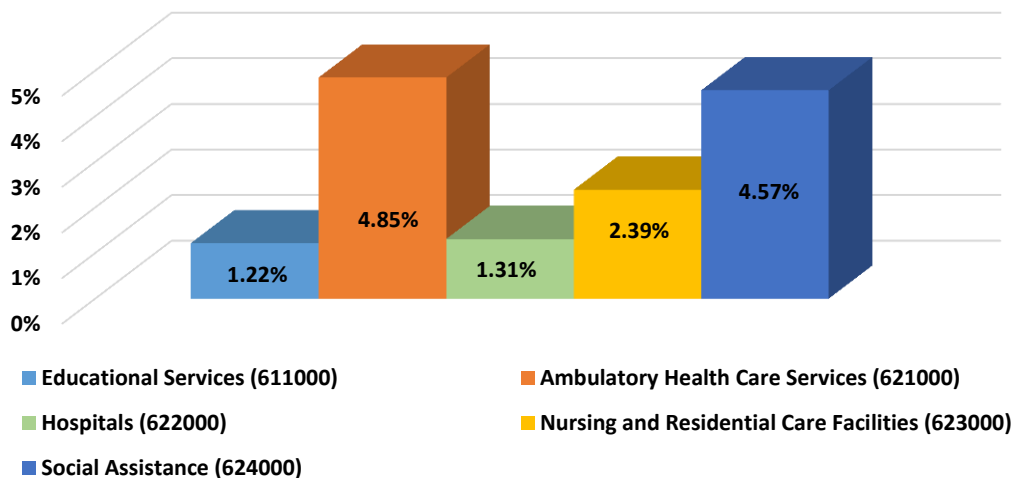
Education and Health Services is projected to grow by 7,576 jobs, or 2.48 percent between 2018 and 2020 making it the top growing supersector in the state. **Educational Services** is estimated to add 1,419 jobs, a gain of 1.22 percent. Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools leads the industries in this sector with 879 new jobs, placing in the Top 20 Growing Industries list. Elementary and Secondary Schools is projected to add an additional 449 jobs.

SHORT-TERM OUTLOOK 2018-2020

2-Year Historical (2016-2018) Growth Rate: 2.88%
2-Year Projected (2018-2020) Growth Rate: 2.48%

The other side of the **Education and Health Services** supersector is the **Health Care and Social Assistance** sector, which is forecast to be the top growing industry sector in the state with a gain of 6,157 jobs. **Ambulatory Health Care Services** is set to gain 2,784 jobs, an increase of 4.85 percent. Offices of Physicians is predicted to add 1,004 jobs to its workforce and be among the Top 10 of the Top 20 Growing Industries list. **Hospitals** is projected to add 781 jobs to the workforce. Specialty (except Psychiatric and Substance Abuse) Hospitals could see a 10.38 percent increase in jobs becoming one of the top 10 fastest growing industries by percent change in Arkansas. **Nursing and Residential Care Facilities** is slated to add 398 jobs, but **Social Assistance** is projected to add 1,823 new jobs, a 4.57 percent gain. The driving force behind this growth is Individual and Family Services, which is anticipated to gain 1,596 jobs, placing the industry among the top five in the state in net change.

**Percent Growth by Subsector
Education and Health Services**



Workforce Development Area Outlook
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Workforce Development Area	2018 Estimated Employment	2020 Projected Employment	Numeric Change	Percent Change
Northwest Arkansas	61,556	63,883	2,327	3.78%
North Central Arkansas	22,252	22,570	318	1.43%
Northeast Arkansas	28,762	29,630	868	3.02%
Western Arkansas	24,371	24,857	486	1.99%
West Central Arkansas	29,037	30,266	1,229	4.23%
Central Arkansas	35,924	36,930	1,006	2.80%
City of Little Rock	51,838	52,732	894	1.72%
Eastern Arkansas	10,325	10,178	-147	-1.42%
Southwest Arkansas	18,837	19,252	415	2.20%
Southeast Arkansas	19,844	19,782	-62	-0.31%